



Maryland Department of Planning

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May 10, 2013

Harry J. Pisapia, Mayor
Town of Galena
Town Office
101 South Main St.
Galena, MD 21635

Dear Mayor Pisapia:

RE: MDP's review of adopted tier map; No comments

Thank you for providing the Department of Planning with a copy of the Town of Galena Growth Tier Map adopted by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Galena by Resolution 13-01 on January 7, 2013. This action establishes growth tiers under Title 1, Subtitle 5 of the Land Use Article ("LU") of the Annotated Code of Maryland for the Town of Galena.

LU §1-505 allows the Department to comment on growth tiers adopted by local jurisdictions. The Maryland Department of Planning is pleased to advise you that the map adopted by the Town of Galena satisfies the statutory requirements of LU §1-508 for designation of growth tiers. The Department therefore has no comments on the adopted map.

Please be advised that the law requires that the growth tiers are to be incorporated into the Town's comprehensive plan or an element of the plan when the Town conducts its six year review of the plan. If the growth tiers are not incorporated into the comprehensive plan or an element of the plan during the 6-year review, the law indicates that the growth tiers may not be considered as adopted and the restrictions on major subdivisions outside sewerred areas shall apply.

Kent County adopted its growth tier map on December 4, 2012. Based on MDP's review, we did not find any conflicts between the County designations and the Town's designations.

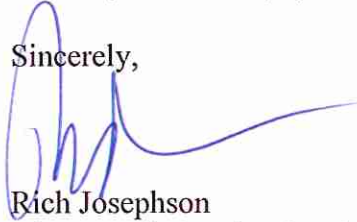
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Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Director of Planning Services

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